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DETAILED ACTION

Notice of Non-Responsive Amendment

Receipt is acknowledged of a request for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114, including the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e) and a submission, filed on 4/14/03. The submission, however, is not fully responsive to the prior Office action because the marked-up copy of the claims is not the same as the clean copy of the claims. It is not apparent what claims are pending because the marked-up copy of the claims do not coincide with the clean claim sheets. Claims 9 and 11 are cancelled in the marked-up version, but pending in the clean version. In addition, claim 11 is missing from the marked-up version. Claims 13 and 14 are independent claims in the marked-up version and dependent claims in the clean version. Proposed claims 15, 16, 22, 24-25 do not correspond to claims 15, 16, 22, 24-25 in the clean version. The numbering on the clean version has two numbers on the left side of the amended claims (see pages 3 and 4 of clean claim sheets).

Applicants are reminded that the format for making amendments has changed.

Applicants need to comply with new rules under 37 CFR 1.121.

Since the submission appears to be a *bona fide* attempt to provide a complete reply to the prior Office action, applicant is given a shortened statutory period of ONE MONTH or THIRTY DAYS from the mailing date of this letter, whichever is longer, to submit a complete reply. This shortened statutory period for reply supersedes the time period set in the prior Office action.

This time period may be extended pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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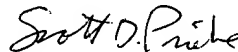
Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Brian Whiteman whose telephone number is (703) 305-0775. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday through Friday from 7:00 to 4:00 (Eastern Standard Time), with alternating Fridays off.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, John L. LeGuyader, SPE - Art Unit 1635, can be reached at (703) 308-0447.

Papers related to this application may be submitted to Group 1600 by facsimile transmission. Papers should be faxed to Group 1600 via the PTO Fax Center located in Crystal Mall 1. The faxing of such papers must conform with the notice published in the Official Gazette, 1096 OG 30 (November 15, 1989). The CM1 Fax Center number is (703) 872-9306.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 308-0196.

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